Northfield.

EDMUND POPE has in his garden a black raspberry bush on which a shoot started this season and grew fourteen feet.

The regular sociable of the Congregational society will be held at the church rooms this (Wednerday) afternoon and evening.

THE Universalist church was rededicated THE Universalist church was rededicated last Wednesday afternoon. The sermon was by Rev. B. M. Tillotson of St. Johnsbury, and several other clergymen were present and made remarks, among them the lecturer, Rev. Mr.

REV. J. K. APPLENER of Boston lectured on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evenings of last week, his subjects being Hood, Hamlet, and some characters from Dickens. As was expected from his lecture last season, these were very entertaining and instructive.

GEORGE BRALEY'S youngest daughter, Nel-e, died quite suddenly last Saturday morning I lung fever. She was an unusually amin's

lie, died quite suddenly last Saturday morning of lung fever. She was an unusually amiable child, and was much beloved by her mates and all who knew her. The funeral was held at the house Monday afternoon at half-past one. The savings bank building is progressing steadily. The front is of Milwaukee yellow pressed brick, with heavy iron moldings and cornices, and is quite handsome. The officers of the institution seem to regard the erection of the building as a sacred undertaking, as several of them were examining it and perfecting the plans last Sunday noon.

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THE rector of the Episcopal church has christened the operations in the old church at the Center, "Trinity Mission." One or two of the Center folks think this is rather suggestive of the need of missionary work among them, but time will doubtless reconcile them. A choir of about a dozen young ladies has been organized under the direction of John W. Jones, and a ladies' sewing society has also been

formed.

The annual meeting of the Adams Slate and Tile company was held at the Northfield house the 17th inst., and the following officers elected: Directors, I. Harmon, S. Folsom, C. S. Parker, E. O. Rockwood of Boston, O. D. Edgerton of Northfield; auditors, S. Folsom, and C. A. Edgerton of Northfield. The directors afterwards elected I. Harmon president, E. O. Rockwood secretary and treasurer. The company has done a large business the past season. Work was resumed Monday at the Owen quarry.

Work was resumed Monday at the Owen quarry. The following officers have been elected to take charge of the singing-schools the coming winter: J. M. Hitt, president; John W. Jones, vice-president; W. A. Truax, secretary; F. W. Dutton, treasurer; C. N. Whitmarsh, collector; J. L. Moseley, L. A. Howes, E. L. Field, executive committee. It was decided to sell tickets for the course at S1 each, and a sufficient number have been sold to assure the success of the course. Professor C. F. Ober of Waterbury, who gave such good satisfaction last year, has been engaged and will hold the first school November 6th, Tuesday evening, in Howes' hall.

LAST Saturday afternoon about forty of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. Orton Smith gathered at their residence at the South Village to celebrate their silver wedding. The anniversary actually occurred last spring, but it was thought best not to have any entertainment at that time. The guests were many of them from the adjoining towns, and the number would have been much larger, but, on account would have been much larger, but, on account of the delicate health of Mrs. Smith, it was not considered prudent to have a large number. Presents amounting to over \$50 in value were brought and presented by Hon. E. K. Jones in a neat and characteristic speech. As usual on such occasions, a very enjoyable time was had.

Owing to the efforts of the News and the WATCHMAN a bridge has been built across the brook at the north end of Pleasant street and it is a substantial looking structure. Now we have another suggestion to make. The town have another suggestion to make. The town at an expense of about \$3,000 has put in an iron bridge, the best in this county. It is handsomely painted and is an ornament to the village, but the approaches are guarded by railings made of bare, round poles held in place by strips of band iron. We presume this may have been intended as a temporary arrangement, but it has been there long enough. Now let us have some neat, substantial railings of either wood or iron and not let the effect of our handsome bridge be spoiled by those unsightly volce.

DR. L. W. Hanson and wife made a short visit in town last week. The doctor is now very pleasantly located at Bradford... Fred Richardson returned to Iowa with Carlostin Blake... Frank Harris is at work in the machine shop of M. Wright & Son at Wright's mills in Montpeller... F. A. Preston has moved into the house with his brother-in-law, C. D. Williams... Silas Emery and family, who have been living in Randolph, have returned to to town and are in the Fletcher house on Pleasant street... George W. Metcaif came home Sunday morning and will remain here several weeks. He is at present located at Fort Fetterweeks. He is at present located at Fort Fetter-

Fayston.—Hugh Baird has made the present season from two cows, which dropped their caives in April and May last, 475 pounds of butter, besides supplying his family, consisting of his mother and himself, with two extra men who worked in his mill about two months. Hugh is fixing our things, picel, expecting countries. is fixing up things nicely, expecting soon to take in a partner who will relieve his mother from the arduous cares of housekeeping, but it will take a smart one to beat aunt Belle mak-

A good delegation of our teachers and citizens including our superintendent, attended the educational meeting at Warren....War-ren Robinson has purchased the A. D. Bragg farm which Mr. Bragg swapped for G. O. Boyce's farm....Rose Twaddle is sick with

Waterbury .- Mrs. Hartwell Moody received a severe injury to her spine by an unfortunate alip on the door step. No permanent disability, it is hoped, will re-ult.

Ir an officer of sufficient calibre can be found to "carry" the writ which Samuel Rsynolds has had "fulminated" against C. C. Warren, that genial gentleman's career is ended. Ben Pickett is the biggest gun on the force, but he is a pop gun compared with the charge to be fired off. Reynolds has been sued out of the "ball alley" tenement by remore of the recent "ball alley" tenement by reason of the recent disturbances there with which he was con-cerned. Defamation of character and other charges against his landlord have been loaded into a writ about a rod long by the incensed tenant. The entire justice force of the town

Waterbury Center.—The promenade at seminary hall last Friday evening was well at-tended, indeed rather too much of a crowd to be the most enjoyable

REV. J. W. BURGIN of Starksboro preached at the Baptist church last Sunday. It is ex-pected that the pastor, Rev. S. D. Church, will be at home and preach next Sunday.

WOULD it not be well for the village fathers of Waterbury to have a lamp in the Duxbury bridge? There is a large amount of travel over the bridge, and collisions there are of frequent occurrence.

North Montpelier. - The children connected with the Sunday-school at the East village church held a concert last Saturday evening with a good attendance.

a visit to her sister in Minnesota, is reported as THE indications now are that we shall surely

have telephonic connection with Plainfield and, Montpelier before the week is out. For the first time since the settlement,

one hundred years ago, the old Colonel Davis farm is to be occupied by one not of that name. The last occupant, N. Davis, having moved last week to Northfield.

Roxbury.—While M. V. B. Cross was rid-og his horse one day last week the animal eil and Mr. Cross received a badly sprained

HENRY MARTELL died of consumption Friday morning. The funeral was attended at the house of the mother of the deceased on Sunday, Rev. Mr. French officiating.

SHERIFF ATHERTON was in town on Mon-day....W. M. Kendall of Lebanon, N. H., paid us a short visit last week....George Ord-way has moved to East Granville and Levi Stone to the house occupied by Ordway.

East Roxbury.—Rev. Mr. Little of New Hampshire is holding a series of meetings at this place. Father Ashley of Barnard preached Sunday afternoon from this text, "The love this place. Father Ashley of Barnard preached Sunday afternoon from this text, "The love of God constraineth us."... H. P. Abbott and Jason Freeman reshingled their barns last week.... Mr. and Mrs. Edward Martin rejuice over the birth of a son... F. S. Kimball drove through here a large flock of sheep that he purchased in Washington and, Cheisea last kathaday.

Rarre.

D. B. MINARD has moved into his new house in Chubb's park.

ED. POOLE has returned to town again and has a job at the fork shop.

GEORGE W. JEFFORDS is at work in the handling room at the fork factory.

MR. HENRY WOOD, wife and daughter, are in town, visiting his father, Stillman Wood.

S. C. Churs and wife and Mrs. R. S. Currier went to Boston last Thursday, to be gone some

J. N. KETCHUM and wife have returned from their trip West, having been absent some six or eight weeks.

CHARLEY MINARD has his house up, boarded and roofed in, and it now begins to assume the look and shape of a dwelling. Mrs. A. J. Smith has had her barn at the end of Eim street moved across the road next to and partly back of her dwelling house.

Howarru's Hibernica, at the town hall Thursday night, drew out about three hundred and the performance was pronounced good by those who were present. W. J. HUTCHINSON, a senior in Dartmouth

college, was in town over Sunday, and is now expecting to fill the position of principal in Chelsea high school the coming winter.

Chelsea high school the coming winter.

G. I. JACKBON and J. M. Taft are tearing out in the inside of the old Blue Store and repairing the same in good style. We hear that they are to open a first class restaurant and grocery as soon as necessary repairs are made. We predict success for them as Joe has lots of friends and will keep things in apple pie order.

ARAD JACKBON met with a severe loss Friday night in having his horse, wagon and harness stolen from his barn. Mr. Jackson had a horse die last spring, and the one that was taken the other night was quite a share paid for by subscriptions among citizens who sympathized with him. We hope the man who has stolen his team may be caught and meet his just deserts.

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Major Hutterinson met with quite an accident about a week ago. As he was about to get off from a load of corn fodder, the horses started and he slipped and fell, striking one arm on a stake, the sharp point entering the fleshy part of the arm near the body and following the muscle up to near the elbow. He is doing well now, being able to come to the village last Monday.

SATURDAY morning folks passing along Main street by the fire engine house were somewhat startled to find the engine house draped in mourning, with skull and cross bones displayed and the epitaph, "In God we trust, Barre fire company." The boys not having yet been paid for services some two years ago, possibly considered the fire department dead, and hence thought is best to have a funeral and call the past buried. We hope the district may wake up and do something yet. up and do something yet.

What might have proved a very disastrous What might have proved a very disastrous fire but for timely discovery, originated in the basement of Stillman Wood's house in a room used by C. D. Carpenter for a harness shop. It seems that the accumulated scot and creosote in the chimney and an old firepiace got on fire and smoldered along until about ten o'clock in the evening when it got hot enough to set fire to the woodwork in the shop which broke out in a blaze. Fred Danforth happening to pass by the door of the shop saw the fire and gave the alarm. The door was broken open and the fire quickly put out with but very little damage. Had the fire not broken out till an hour or two later, very likely it would have gained such headway as to have destroyed Mr. Wood's buildings and several of the adjoining ones also, as there is no fire department and but little as there is no fire department and but little water in the resorvoirs to draw from in case

Last Friday night seems to have been an unusually busy time in Barre, as the different items show. As the same night a fence that had been across a roadway near the Methodist had been across a roadway near the Methodist church was removed by some secret process and the material of which it was built stolen or carried away. The gist of the matter seems to be that on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week a fence was erected by a committee of the trustees of the Methodist church across a roadway which had been opened without au-thority over land belonging to the society. Two petitions to the selectmen to lay out a pub-lic highway at this point have failed to get the desired road opened, and so some person or lic highway at this point have failed to get the desired road opened, and so some person or persons removed the fence Friday night and again opened the way for travel. If the object of the erection of the fence was to cut off any prescriptive right by way of possession, that object was accomplished after it remained twenty-four hours, and as some sixty hours elapsed beween the completion of the fence and its removal, it would seem that any hope of such advantage must now be deferred for fifteen years. The question now arises in the minds of some, if it was worth the while to organize a midnight robbery or raid, to save labor ganize a midnight robbery or raid, to save labor for the society, if perchance it intended to rect and then remove a temporary barrier.

Cabot.-The Winooski hotel property, together with the furniture, livery, and all the appurtenances was bargained to some parties from the north part of the state last Friday. The advertisement for the auction is with-

TRUMAN KINNERSON has sold his farm to Nathaniel Wilson and goes to Barre to live. CHAUNCEY GOODALE has rented his farm to George Kinnerson and gone to live with his wife's father, Asaph King.

ORFHA BURNHAM, an aged lady, distributed among her neighbors, October 10th, fine ap-ples that were grown in the fall of 1882.

Our community was shocked by the an-nouncement of the death of Mr. Charles M. Fisher, at one o'clock Sunday morning of heart He was about his business on Satur

TYPHOID fever is prevalent in town at present. Mr. Gale, teacher in the village school, and Nellie Nevins are sick at the hotel with it. Henry W. Lance came home from the Montpe-lier seminary severely threatened with it, but prespects are that he will get; along without a

run.

A FEW weeks since, while Mrs. W. S. Atkins was visiting at Lyme, N. H., she negotiated with her friends for a sheep for her husband's flock. The sheep was forwarded to Mr. Atkins last week in a box by express. It is a full blooded Spanish Merino, and one of the nice ones of the kind Mrs. Atkins is from Lyme, and her husband says he thinks Lyme sheep and women are hard to beat. Mr. Atkins has a fine flock of the Vermont Merinos, having, from one hundred and twenty sheep, cut nine hundred pounds of washed wool, for which E. F. Smith paid him the highest market price.

North Fayston.—The schools close this week. Lilian Porter and Jennie Shea have had good schools this fail.

FRANK S. PORTER, who has been spending a few weeks with his family and friends returned

this week to northern Vermont. This people of this vicinity have for some little time been making repairs upon the cemetery here. Four years ago the grounds were enlarged about one-third and some needful work done upon the old ground. Two years ago they clubbed together and improved it considerably by putting in new steps, grading, etc. This fall there has been the most extensive repairs ever done upon it. Another small addition was purchased by the town, and the people turned out en masse two days and have made a new road around the ground, and several very pleasant walks have been put in. The location for a burying ground here is good, being a nice dry knoll and the sexton, W. S. Chipman, has taken a good deal of interest in the yard, and by the willingness of the people to aid him the cemetery here is now an honor to the town. There is not about here, a pleasanter, prettier place to inter the dead than in our newly improved and enlarged ground. THE people of this vicinity have for some our newly improved and enlarged ground.

Danville.—Quarterly meeting will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday. THE Methodist parsonage has been supplied

THE personal property of Jeremy Hutchin-on's estate will be sold at auction next Thursday, October 25th.

HENRY RUSSELL will sell his farm and per sonal property at auction next Saturday. Mr Russell talks of going to Lowell, Mass. B. F. HAVILAND is putting a cupola on his barn....Minnie Fisher has gone to Barnet, to

teach school in the George Cram district. Weodbury.—A. M. Benjamin sold his personal property at auction last Saturday, his health being poor causing him to give up business. He contemplates moving from his farm to South Woodbury. . . Thursday evening of last week the store of D. B. Nelson occupied by E. H. Duke was found to be on fire, but through well directed efforts it was soon extinguished without doing great damage. There was no one in the store at the time, as all usually about were at the school-house organizing a lycenm. Woodbury .- A. M. Benjamin sold his

Waitsfield.

THE boys are bringing in a large number of artridges this fall.

W. A. Jones store looks well with the new stock of goods so nicely displayed. FRANK COLEY has just finished painting Deacon Gleason's house and has commenced painting L. R. Joslin's.

THE funeral procession of a Mr. Bucklin, brother of Rufus Bucklin, passed through this place Monday on the way to Warren.

JAMES H. BAIRD had a yearling colt so badly cut by coming in contact with a wire fence that it was necessary to take twenty-five stitches to ose up the wound

ED. HOUSE has lost his yearling bull, s blooded Devon, that took the premium at the fairs this fall. It got caught between two rocks, broke his leg and had to be killed.

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ELLA, daughter of Dr. James M. VanDeusen, who, for several years, has been an eminently successful teacher in the Union school at Montpelier, was married at the home of her parents on the 15th inst., to Leslie Reed, formerly of this place, but now of Lincoln, Neb. The happy couple intend to start for their western home next week. The numerous gifts by them received, evidence the esteem felt for them by their many friends and associates. That they may be happy is the wish of all.

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The autumnal concert at the Congregational church last Sunday was unusually interesting. The church was decorated with the fruits of the season. One of the most interesting exercises was rendered by the little band of gleaners who reported the results of their labor to Hattie Fisk, each bringing some fruit as an evidence of their labor. Miss Fisk addressed each with a few well selected remarks, and, as a reward for their diligence, she presented each with a crown appropriate to, and suggestive of, the fruit presented by each.

Two of our respectable citizens. Massre.

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Two of our respectable citizens, Messra. Alfred Joshin and C. F. Ramssy, disagreed about a small account of four dollars, Joslin claiming that amount as his due and Ramsay claiming that he owed him nothing. The case was brought before Justice Dans last weak and air, solid, good and true mes last week, and six solid, good and true men were empaneled to do justice between man and man. After patiently bearing the case for a long time and calmly deliberating and weighing the testimony they agreed to disagree, standing three for the plaintiff and three for the de-fendant. J. W. Gregory for the plaintiff and E. A. Heath for defendant.

HENRY S. BAIRD raised the past season one bushel of Burbank seedlings, forty bushels of nice table potatoes....Mrs. William M. Strong is sick with typhoid fever.... The carpenter's hammer and painter's brush are doing much to improve and beautify the village. Among those thus improved are O. M. Eaton, A. C. Jones, Mrs. Sarah A. McAllister, John Baird.

the hall in the second story of the library

N. B. CORB, town clerk and treasurer, is still confined to his bed by nervous exhaustion. His physicians report progress. The duties of his offices are performed by Cora Rowell.

A" DENIZEN of the forest" has of late made the nights hideous in the vicinity of the village by his howls and screams. From its cry and from its tracks, it is supposed to be a large lynx. A few sheep have been killed either by this animal or by dogs.

Senator Morrill and family leave for Washington this week. Sorry to have them go. We shall miss the senator's genial presence, his wise counsels and helpfulness in our community. Your correspondent thinks we all behave better when in daily contact with men so upright and yet so companionable.

The civil authority of the town met last week and chose Henry C. Hatch, N. B. Cobb, and Chester B. Dow, executive committee to have the care of the town library, the purchase as well as repair of books for same, etc. Mr. Dow is forming a mineral cabinet to add to the Dow is forming a mineral cabinet to add to the attractions of the library room and has aiready secured a large and valuable collection of specimens. Contributions have been received from many sources and more are promised. Lee Hatch now in Dartmouth college, gives his collection of birds' eggs consisting of about a hundred kinds, many of them quite rare. Cabinets of other kinds will soon be added. Mr. Dow will be both librarian and curator. The permanent fund of the library has been increased by a donation of \$100 from Hon. William H. Sanborn of Greenfield, Mass., and one of the same amount from Augustus L. Chandler, Esq., of California, both natives of Strafford.

COLONEL F. V. RANDALL of Brookfield will address the people of this village and vicinity in Wilson hall next Saturday evening, October His subject is, The Battle of Gettysburg, and the engagements in which the soldiers took part. We need not say that the address will be interesting, coming as it does from the colonel, who always has the undivided atten

Last week two young men came in on the night train and took lodgings at the Wilson house and soon after breakfast the next morning told the porter that they were going to take a walk and should be back to dinner, but that talk didn't take and Ed with a writ overtook them about three miles away. They came down with four dollars instead of paying two dollars, the regular hotel bill.

C. C Royce from Woburn, Mass, who is an C. C. Rovce from Woburn, Mass, who is an expert workman at his trade is doing carpenter work on the tannery...Mrs. T. E. Wilson has gone to Sutton, N. H., to visit her daughter, Mrs. Dr. S. N. Welch... Nathaniel Perry from Cabot on his way home from Barton made a short visit with his old friends last week... George W. Barnard, who can repeat more poetry than any one we ever saw, is here again selling apple trees, plum trees and currant bushes...Mr. Sylvester and wife have returned from their visit with their son, Dr. W. E. Sylvester, who has a position in an insane E. Sylvester, who has a position in an insane asylum in Williard, N. Y. Ed Buffum, who for a number of months was a faithful porter at the Bascom house, has gone to South Royal-ton to work in a mest market...Rev. R. G. Bugbee did not preach his farewell sermon last Sunday. He has decided to stay another year.

Brookfield.—Telephone stock is rising. The doctor says we shall have it this week so that we can talk with West Randolph.

THE mechanics' band of West Randolph favored the ladies' aid society, which met at William Clark's last Friday evening, with the benefit of their presence and music, which was highly appreciated by those present. The entertainment of the evening was varied and pleasant. The recipts were \$15.

Cassius Prok attended the officers' reunion at Rutland last week ... Mrs. J. H. Sprague has the sympathy of the whole community, as no one blames her in the least for her husband's bad conduct... Miss Raymond leaves for her city home on Tuesday... Arthur Lyman and wife returned to Rutland on Friday. man and wife returned to Rutland on Friday. His visit was short, as he could not leave his business... Mrs. R. Peck is still quite sick. Her lungs seem to be much affected... F. Mc-Whorter seems to like the Brookfield air, as he comes here to spend his Sundays... Dr. Solon Abbott of Morrisville with his newly wedded wife, has paid a brief visit to his old home and friends here during the past week... Mrs. Sarah Bates and Abbie Smith have been spending a few days with Rev. S. L. Bates at Newbates and Aboue Smith have been spending a few days with Rev. S. L. Bates at Newbury... Miss Stone returns to New York this week... Among those who attend the state educational meeting this week are Frances Graves, Carrie Guptil, Abbie Jones and Mary Upham... Mrs. William Wheatley, delegate from the auxiliary of the First church, expects to attend the annual meeting of the Varnout to attend the annual meeting of the Vermont branch of the Woman's Board of Missions at

Tunbridge,—H. D. Whitney has purchased the Colburn pasture and wood lot of George Preston, and with a gang of hands is getting off

Preston, and with a gang of hands is getting off the wood and lumber...R. H. Drew has purchased the large barn on the McIntosh place and will move it to his farm... Grand Juror Cowdery of South Royalton was here last Wednesday looking for testimony to convict the party accused of selling diseased meat....

W. W. King has returned to Lawrence, Mass... Halsey Foster of Lowell, Mass., is visiting his parents... A fine girl was presented to Mr. A. E. Rand last Wednesday... Colonel Randall's lecture at South Royalton last Saturday evening drew a few from this place... J. W. Bright is at South Royalton building a barn for F. Smith... The school question is being agitated and it is hoped that steps will be taken that will better the schools of this town... The White River Pomona grange met here last Saturday afternoon. There were nearly one hundred present... Charley Goodwin has gone to Lowell, Mass., where he has secured a situation... Luke Parish was here Saturday looking after apples—no criminals.

Williamstown.

OUR new hearse was used for the first time last week. No citizen need be ashamed of it. THE Methodists held their last sociable at Benedict's, just the place for a good

JOHN GREENE met with a curious accident recently, while picking apples, that gives him a very painful side.

By coincidence, last Sunday week, "We all do fade as a leaf," was a theme for remark in three of our churches.

VIOLETTA HIBBARD is in town for a few days, looking after her aged parents. She has been stopping in Newport, R. I., of late.

We hear C. U. Lathrop has a yearling Eastern Boy colt that will needs draw one hundred dol-lars out of the pocket of the man who would AUSTIN JACKSON is in very poor health, and unless he is better, will be obliged to leave the farm he has rented in Brookfield, and return

The man who would buy a four-year-old colt that one of our best horse men, says is one of the best he knows of, wants to call on Henry Lazell. But don't forget the greenbacks when

gies of our house-builders, Messrs. Poole, Perry, Lynde. That town has a wonderful absorptive power any way these days, somewhat to the Barre-nuess of adjacent ones, we suspect.

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James Burnham purposes to return to Washington to live in the spring. He talks of trading his large farm there for for a smaller one. He has been a very busy man since coming on to "Father Howe's" farm last spring, and is one of the cheerful kind of men, at that.

Our neighbor, G. Lang, of the Gulf Springs hotel, doubtless fearing that things (expenses excepted) would not "glang" fast enough the coming winter, is moving to Barre. He may return in the spring. Meantime Frank Godfrey will take good care of the traveling public, here in our village.

Lucia Harriman will teach the coming sea-

LUCIA HARRIMAN will teach the coming sea son in the Folensby Goodrich district... Rus-sel Jeffords will teach in town during the win-ter. Good order will have to prevail wherever he teaches... Ada E. Martin will teach again in the Orlando Flint neighborhood the coming winter, if her health will admit.

One of our most aged ladies, Mrs. Betsey Capron, died at the home of Harry Fogg on Wednesday last. She has sometime in her life, we believe, preached and practiced medicine, but in late years has been compelled to have town aid. We think the care that Mrs. Fogg has given her and others similarly unfortunate, worthy of grateful mention and reward.

MISS CHLOR BACON died on Thursday night Miss Childe Bacon died on Thursday night last, at the age of seventy-five years, after an illness of some ten days. She had long been an esteemed member of the Congregational church, to which she had willed what little property she should have left after her decease. The only remaining member of her father's large family, once well-known here, is John Bacon of Barre, now about eighty years of age.

THE price of dry, sixteen-inch wood-two ollars per cord here in our village—being spoken of recently, brought out the fact that the farmers used to sell C. & R. Ainsworth four-foot wood for one dollar per cord delivered at their potash factory, and take their pay in goods at the charging price. The price for cut-ting it was then twenty cents a cord, and chop-pers could be hired for twenty-five cents a day and board.

WE had the rich treat of listening to a rewe had the rich treat of listening to a re-hearsal of some incidents in the recent trip of some of our Vermont friends to the Shenan-doah Valley, Virginia. The cordiality with which the northerners were received by the colored people was note-worthy. One old darkey said to our friend, alluding to the freeof the slaves, "You northerners don't what you did for us. But we know and knows." Our friend asked him if he was God knows." Our friend asked thin it he was better off now than when a slave, when he said, "I now own a farm worth three thousand dollars, and have nine children, and they are my own, and you can judge for yourself whether I am better off." The many pleasing incidents of the excursion are to be published in book form, and must make interesting

Can farming in Vermont be made to pay? is an often recurring question, and each man has to answer it for himself. Here is Alfred Carnes to answer it for himself. Here is Alfred Carnes' answer. He went on to Sam Foster's farm (that shows its perpendicular side to the passerby) in 1876. The last of March of that year found twelve head of cattle on the place, that required the buying of one ton of hay and a half ton of meal to take through to grass. Since then, not a pound of hay nor a pound of meal has been bought, but instead some years a hundred bushels or more of grain has been sold. For a number of winters, twenty-eight to thirty head of cattle have been wintered, and forty head have been raised there. Nine and forty head have been raised there. Nine to twelve hogs, live, where but two were kept when he went there. Mr. Carnes never had a when he went there. Ar. Carnes hever had a mowing-machine but one half-day, and never a horse rake; has not hired help over six months in a year; has milked fifteen cows most of the time; never has bought a pound of fertilizer of any kind, yet this year has raised four hundred bushels of ears of good sound corn on two acres of ground. Two acres of wheat this year violed aveenty one bushels; and one year ha ground. I we acres of whom a series of ground will be got eighty-five from the same amount of ground. Less than half an acre of ground this year yielded one hundred bushels of potatoes; and one hundred and ninety bushels of oats were gathered to his granary. And this is oats were gathered to his granary. And this is the answer that Mr. Carnes gets when Mr. Fos-ter's excellent farm is the slate to figure upon. ter s excellent farm is the state to figure upon. The farm contains, may be, one hundred and sixty acres, to which Mr. Carnes brings lots of muscle. The other side of this question of Vermont farming we heard discussed recently by one formerly a farmer in Orange county, but for twenty years past a farmer in Wisconsin. He thinks the West far more desirable for farming than Vermont.

farming than Vermont; that a man can do much better there than here. much better there than here.

FRED WHITNEY and Frank Godfrey joined forces last Thursday in hunting and brought home eleven partridges....Our ex-townsman, Lawyer George Bass of Chicago, is taking a European trip we hear....Our Whitemountaineers have returned, and severely told weather has come... Nathan Hall, having for the second time Wesley M. Seaver as son-in-law, returns to his old home to live in Mr. Seaver's family.... Elbert Jackson is at work on a new barn.... We learn that C. C. Hood of Chelsea, a carpenter, has sold out there, and wants to buy a small place in our town. The fact is not to be hood-winked that we are anxious to get all the new, worthy residents we anxious to get all the new, worthy residents we can....J. K. Lynde's stock of goods attracts attention and buyers. He is bound to sell his

Groton.—Daniel Roberts was taken very suddenly with a bad chill Sunday morning of this week, but was much better Monday

nents on their house by way of new clapboards, etc.

BUSINESS is booming in all directions. The Groton Pond Lumber company start their mill this week, and have about a million feet of lumber in the pond to cut out. THE Hatch boys of this place are very busy

getting ready to put up a steam saw mill at Winooski River Pond. The lumber when cut will come out to the track at Lane's mill, summit of the Montpelier & Wells River railroad, making a distance of four miles to haul it. H. C. WHEREER of Peacham had a steam engine boiler come to this station last week and it took the united strength of a team of six

horses and four oxen to pull it up the village hill and most of one day and part of the next to get it off of the car on trucks and land it at Mr. Wheeler's mill. He expects a new engine soon from New York. Sharon.—The state superintendent of education will hold an educational meeting here October 31st. We hope our teachers and all friends of education will be present.

Carroll Wilkins has sold the Peter Webster farm to S. D. Fales for S700... Mrs. E. L. Day is still very low, and Mrs. H. G. Snow is quite sick....C. A. Williamson went to Boston last Saturday. He is settling the estate of his uncle who died about a month ago... Mrs. Ben Abbott died very suddenry. She had been sick some time but was sitting up in her chair and fell upon the floor dead... Dr. Paddock will close his select school in district No. 3 this week. He has engaged to teach the winter term in that district.

Worcester.—Rev. Mr. Grout preached in the Congregational church in this place last Sunday morning, warmly presenting the in-terests of the American Missionary Associa-tion, of which he is secretary, and in the evening giving an interesting talk on the sub-ject of "Life in Africa," where he lived and labored as a missionary for fifteen years.

This town boasts of a woman who a short time since, is reported to have milked fifteen cows and prepared supper in one hour. Who can beat this?

A DEBATING club has been formed in con-nection with the upper and intermediate de-partments of the village school. They mee every alternate Friday afternoon in the upper

SINCE Mrs. Tracy Cutler's lecture, on auxil iary woman's suffrage association has been formed here with Miss Boomhower as presi-dent. Last week Mrs. Pottle went to Brooklyn as a delegate to the woman's national suffrage association.

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Andrew Magoon, who went West a year or two ago, returned a short time ago.... Byron Luce is now living with his father-inlaw, R. R. Waite, having purchased "Richie's" interest in the place...Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McMahon returned from Boston last Monday evening, where they have been a week or two, purchasing goods, etc... Mrs. Dan Cady, who has been in Burlington sick for a time, has came home... Mrs. James Jackson with several children is in town... Thomas Downer has bought of Frank Benson over a hundred acres of timber land... Wilmot Alger has built a silo, it being the only one in town... C. P. Sawyer, formerly a resident of this town, but now a commission merchant in Boston, has been here... Henry Lathe has purchased the amall building south of the Methodist parsonage, recently occupied by Mr. Spront... Volney Babcock of Bridgewater has bought the Foster place at the "West Branch," paying \$1,400 for it... George Watts and wife intend starting for California this week to be gone several months... A. R. Cheney has taken Mr. Watts' farm for a year... Mrs. Jeanette Foster of Easthampton, Mrs. Butler of Brooklyn, and A. R. Corse of Boston have been in town recently.... Mrs. George Wilkins is stopping among friends and relatives in New York.... Burt Brothers' engine for their steam mill was brought to town last Friday... Widow Hodge went to Middlesex this week, where she has gone to live with her son, Cassius... Steam whistles abound in this town. E. K. Seaver's place of business has just been adorned with one... Last Saturday the sad intelligence came to George Raymond of the sudden death of his son, George, in Dakota... Mrs. Clara Hodge went to South Framingham, Mass, Monday of this week, to join her husband, who went several weeks ago... Helen Parish, and expects to occupy it soon... The Good Templars opened their doors to the public last Saturday evening. There were exercises consisting of music, selections,

two or three weeks, is again driving the stage-coach.....Mrs. Freeman Smith is expected home this week. She has been away among friends and relatives for a few weeks visiting

North Thetford.—Steven Robinson, who has been a resident of this town for many years, has moved to Post Mills where he will live with one of his sons.

MR. NUTTING has rented a part of Mr. Robinson's house during the coming winter.

The cider mill was opened last week and is now doing a good business, cider selling quick at \$4 a barrel.

visiting friends, where she went a week a ago with Mary Adams. WATSON & THICKETT have nearly completed

their new wheelwright shop and we hope their business will increase accordingly.

The company have established their steam saw mill here and will fill the sheds. They have with them their house and barn on wheels. THE saw mill has been enlarged to receive a stone for grinding meal and with the addition

will, we are certain, make a good business. MR. AND MRS. C. D. DIMICK were in town last week visiting friends before going to Mas sachusetts to live, where Carroll has a business HARDLY have the people of this place been so much shocked as by the death of Rev. Isaac Hosford, although he was in feeble health long before his death.

Fun coat season has again opened and J. T. Hosford's business likewise. He has now sales for nearly sixty coats and expects more. No one can question the superiority of his coats over those sold of other make.

Hardwick .- There was quite an excitement created on Friday evening last by the disappearance of two little boys, sons of Mrs. Edson and Willie Folsom. Their absence was not noticed till night when they did not return not noticed till night when they did not return as usual. A lantern brigade was organized and dilligent search was made for several hours, when they were discovered confined in a dark closet of the B. K. Cross house in rear of the church. The house was unoccupied and the boys entered it sometime in the afternoon and going into the closet the door closed in some way behind them which securely imprisoned them, as the latch was upon the outside. Rev. J. Morse of Wolcott preached at the Methodist church on Sunday last, in exchange we understand with Elder Robinson.

C. B. WHITEN has purchased a farm in the north-east part of Walden of John Stevens, with immediate possession. Price of farm and some personal property \$1,500.

Dr. Soules has recovered from his recent illness and is again able to attend to profes-sional business. Dr. French is extremely low, but is thought to be improving slowly.

F. T. BRIDGMAN has filed a petition in in solvency with the probate court. His state-ment of liabilities is quite large, with nominal assets. Most of his creditors are in this town and vicinity. Business disasters will some times happen however honestly conducted.

Morrisville.—The exterior of the Congrega-tional church has received two coats of paint the past week and is much improved.

A SQUIRREI-HUNT was joined in by a large number on Saturday of last week, resulting in a wholesale slaughter of all kinds of game, the count standing 20,040 to 10,070. It seems hardly like manly sport to take part in hunts of this kind. The side having the lesser count paid the supper bills at the Morrisville house

HENRY W. TEWKSBURY of West Randolph has been engaged to open the academy lecture course on Thursday evening, November 1st. Mr. Tewksbury will be well remembered in his lecture on "Three prevalent mistakes," given last year, and there is no doubt but that his coming lecture on "The nineteenth century" will be worthy of a large attendance.

The ditch-digging for the water main is nearly completed, and work was begun last week on the ditches through the several streets of the village and will be completed before snow falls, if possible. At the fire district meeting held on Monday evening the citizens voted not to put in hydrants at the districts' expense at present, although several will be put in for private use.

Randolph.—Charlie Eddy of Middletown, Conn., has been visiting Mrs. M. K. Eddy.....
C. Frank Graves is sick with typhoid fever and attended by Dr. Sherwin of Sharon.... Colonel J. B. Mead has rented Suffolk Farm to William Hugh for three years, to give possession the first of April.... Chara P. Vannee, teacher in the normal school, is sick with bilious fever, and her place is being filled by Hattie E. Wood of Pomfret, a former teacher in this school.... Mrs. Hiram A. Huse returned to Montpelier on Saturday.... Mrs. George W. W. Davis has moved into rooms at the hotel.... Rev. Mr. Bennett, who is stopping at Dr. D. H. Nutting's, occupied the pulpit of the Congregational charch, Sunday morning.... T. J. Adams and Thomas Carrigan put one hundred and fifteen bushels of carrots into the cellar for N. L. Boyden, Wednesday of last week and picked thirty-one bushels of apples, which made a good day's work.

West Randolph.-The Randolph normal nine went to Montpeller last Saturday to play a game of base ball and got beaten, the score being thirty-seven to fifty-two.

ROBERT KIMBALL'S \$2,000 matched span horses ran, last Menday, from school hill to the stable where they are kept, through the principal streets with a spring tooth harrow nitched behind them until they left it against a hitching post at the corner of A. W. Tewks-bury & Sons store. The horses came out with only a few slight scratches. The harrow and whillstrees were demolished, no other damage being done.

being done. . Eight arrests were made here Saturday of persons accused of stealing wood from the railroad shed, and some of them have been convicted, but it has not been decided what to

Washington.

MR AND MRS. ORVILLE CRESKY have re-turned from their summer's work at Mr. Bartlett's, in Plainfield.

MRS WARREN PEPPER still continues very

she cannot recover. THERE will be no services at the Universalist church on Sunday next, as Rev. Mr. Greene goes to Bath, Me., to preach on that day. We learn that Mr. A. C. Winship, the propri-

We learn that Mr. A. C. Winship, the propri-etor of the Washington house, contemplates soon to remove to the city of Boston with his family. His going will leave our town without a hotel, for the present at least, and takes away from our midst an estimable family who have made many friends during their stay here, not only with the citizens of the town, but with the traveling public generally.

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The Washington bouse was taken by storm on Thursday evening last, the friends of Lewis and Ida Winship giving them a genuine "surprise." The company assembled to the number of sixty-eight about eight o'clock in the evening and dispatched a swift-footed herald in pursuit of the young host and hostess, who had been begulied to a neighboring farmhouse while the preparations were in progress. They came, they saw, and were "taken in and done for." The old hall was quickly swept and made ready, music was soon provided and the lovers of the art of Terpischore were invited up to trip the "light fantastic," while the wiser heads, commanded by Mrs. Winship, quickly put the kettle on and the goodly supply of cysters and hot coffee were soon steaming and stewing. At about ten the bell was rung for supper; the big tables in the diningroom were surrounded and the luscious bivalves right from Boston city, were discussed and duly enjoyed, together with every kind and assortment of cake, washed down by some of the best coffee ever made. Dancing was resumed after supper and kept up till the wee, sma' hours. The company comprised nearly all the lads and lasses in the village and surrounding hills, reinforced by some of the more staid and sedate, including Dr. and Mrs. Newcomb, Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Huntington, Mr. and Mrs. E. Carpenter, Mrs. Emma Huntington and Mrs. Ruth Dickey. Surprises such as this proved to be should be more frequent and the community be made livelier thereby.

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Orange.-It is to be regretted that preach-Orange,—It is to be regretted that preach-ing at the church in this place is getting to be an exception rather than the rule. For sev-eral Sundays there has been only a Sunday-school with rather scant attendance.

SEVERAL years since G. Y. Barnes purchased the valuable home farm of Horace Fifield, paying \$9,000 for the same. Having a severe attack of "western fever," he will sell said farm together with all his personal property, by public auction on Tuesday, the 30th of this month. It is considered a rare chance to se-

month. It is considered a rare chance to secure a good farm cheap.

Dr. L. W. Hanson, wife and daughter of Bradford visited the family of S. M. Curtis last week... Mrs M. B. Curtis is visiting relatives in Marlboro, N. H.... Piummer Wiggins of West Corinth was in town again on Sunday, a guest at L. M. Towner's... Mrs. T. P. Vaille, only child of J. B. Goodrich, is very sick at Kansas City, Mo., with malarial fever... Eugene Densmore of Chelsea made a flying visit to town one day last week... George Cook recently purchased a valuable pair of three-year-old Dutch steers of parties in Tunbridge, paying \$150 for them ... Francis Curtis has bought ing S150 for them ... Francis Curtis has bought several hundred turkeys to fatten for market and is still buying... Nathaniel Whitcomb's house is undergoing repairs, being enlarged and otherwise greatly improved... Eighteen couples attended the dance at the town hall MRS. J. T. HOSFORD is still in Massachusetts last Tuesday night and report a good time

Gaysville.—The Methodists and Congregationalists have a union meeting at the Me dist house next Sunday evening.

THE Methodist society have three hundred dollars subscribed to pay for painting, carpet-ing and otherwise bettering their church. The ing and otherwise bettering their church, work will be begun very soon.

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Professor J. B. Warson and wife intend to go to Sheldon in a few days....Mr. Broughton from Tunbridge has moved into the Owen Boutwell house formerly occupied by Truman Averill and his son-in-law, Mr. Merrill, who have moved on to the John Abbott place near Barnard village. Mr. Averill's people are kind and obliging and it is with regret that their neighbors witness their departure...Dr. Steele and family have returned....Mrs. Henry Boutwell who has been to Burlington to receive medical treatment has returned home, better but not cured....Mrs. I. P. Deane was brought home last Monday from Rufus Smith's where she has been cared for a number of weeks....The stores are full of new goods.

South Royalton.-Colonel F. V. Randall spoke to a good audience Saturday evening. THERE is more building going on this season in this village than for the last thirty years. Dan Tarbell is building a large hotel, J. O. Belknap a large block, M. J. Sargent a block of two stores, A. P. Skinner a dwelling house, Cary Foster an addition to his mother's house,

W. W. Gallup a dwelling house and several barns.

S. C. Drew has sold his farm to Horace Jones of Tunbridge.....Cary Foster is to open a meat market in King's block.....Mrs. Mary Woodard and Dr. Leavitt's family are reported better, but Mrs. Leavitt is still very sick.... Frankie Lyman is improving.....Abraham McQuade died last week Tuesday of ulceration of the stomach....A. P. Skinner had over twenty men at work for him last Thursday. He is trying to complete his new house so he can get into it this fall. barns.

Granville.—We learn that a petition has been sent to the proper person to give us a daily mail. . . Mr. Raiph is doing a good business and has a number of men at work for him Henry Freeman of Rochester is at work for F. H. Bowen in the sawmill and intends to move into town soon. Bowen has tends to move into town soon. Bowen has bought out Douglass, the blacksmith, and in-tends to hire a man to work in the shop. We tends to hire a man to work in the shop. We need a blacksmith, shoemaker and harness-maker in town... There is a man from Lincoln talking of filling the old store at the lower village with goods, and starting in trade.... A. George has bought some butter and shipped to Boston. If he does not lose, he intends to try it again.... O. L. Sabine has sold his farm to W. H. H. Maynard for \$1,000.

Elmore. -Two dogs belonging to Mr. Noah Hall, and George Pierce have recently been shot, by huntsmen.

The squirrel-hunt which came off last Fri-day, between O. D. Bacon and S. B. Doty, re-sulted in a victory for Sam, and was concluded in the evening by a hop, and oyster supper, at David Douglass', between sixty and seventy,

being present. WRIGHT of St. Albans, is the guest of Mrs. Henry Russell....George Fenn has re-turned from New Jersey, and has hired for one year to A. M. Woodbury....Mrs. Charles Drown has been spending the past week in town visiting friends.

Ely.—There was an auction sale here last week of horses, and other personal property of the mining company, all of which went very cheap, and was bought by parties at a distance. MR. AND MRS. E. P. Johnson go to Balti-more this week to spend the winter. Emma Long will accompany them.

WE fear we shall have no school here this winter for want of funds. There are scholars enough, as a good number of families are stay-

ing here, waiting for something to turn up. North Randolph,-G. Pearl has moved on

APPLES prove to be much plentier than was GEORGE and Charles Royce are home on a

JED HYDE and Charles Lyon are getting out the lumber for the John Gifford bridge.

Wolcott.—Mrs. Grace Baker and daughter who have been here over a year have returned to Meriden, Conn.... While Peris Smith was tightening some screws on top of the steam mill engine the wrench flew off and he fell across the big arbor and was hurt quite serbinally. seriously.

Fear Not.—All other kidney and urinary complaints, especially Bright's disease, diabetes and liver troubles, Hop Bitters will surely and lastingly cure. Cases exactly like your own have been cured in your own eighborhood, and you can flud reliable proof at home of what Hop Bitters has and can do.

Prominent business men have organized a company in New York to lay cables between Eugland and America. Ex-Postmaster General T. L. James is president.

Did you read how Josiah Pitkin of Chelsea, Vt., was cured of a terrible sore leg by Hood's Sarsaparilia, the blood purifier?